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In re application of: John W. Linebarger et al.

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Introductory Comments

In response to the final Office action dated February 22, 2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed herewith.